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STATE LEGISLATURE, MADRAS

THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.

Friday, 25th February 1955.

The House met in the Assembly Chamber, Government Estate, Mount Road, at half-past eight of the clock, Mr. Speaker (THE HON. SRI J. SIVASHANMUGAM PILLAI) in the Chair.

I.—QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

STARRED QUESTIONS.

* 978 *Q.*—

MR. SPEAKER :—" This question will be taken up tomorrow."

Demonstration by workers

* 885 *Q.*—SRI S. RAMALINGAM (on behalf of Sri M. Kalyanasundaram) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have issued any instructions to the District Collectors for preventing mass representation by workers to the employers inside the factory premises; and

(*b*) if so, what the instructions are?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (*a*) No, Sir.

" (*b*) Does not arise."

Weekly holidays for Police Constables

* 886 *Q.*—SRI S. RAMALINGAM (on behalf of Sri C. Kandasamy) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Police Constables are getting weekly holidays at present; and

(*b*) if not, why?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (*a*) & (*b*) All police constables in the City Police Force as well as in mufassal districts, including the District Armed Reserve, are granted one day off-duty in a week."

Dismissal of workers

* 887 *Q.*—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether the Government have received any memorandum, dated 2nd August 1954, from the Secretary, Rice and Oil Mill Workers' Union, Perintalmanna, South Malabar, regarding the

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dismissal of workers from the Mills without notice, the question of wages, bonus, leave and the application of the provisions of the Factories Act; and

(b) if so, the action taken thereon?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—" (a) Yes, Sir.

" (b) The parties subsequently came to a settlement and so no further action was considered necessary."

Women and Children Hospital, Kozhikode

* 888 Q.—SRI K. P. GOPALAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether the Government Women and Children Hospital, Kozhikode, has been provided with septic-tank and flush-out latrines;

(b) if not, why; and

(c) the arrangements available in the hospital for the above purpose?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (a) No, Sir.

" (b) It is not possible to do so till the Town Drainage system comes into effect.

" (c) Night soil and sullage are now removed in municipal lorries."

SRI K. P. GOPALAN :—" Sir, the Kozhikode Hospital being a big one with a large number of in-patients why should not the Government see that at least flush-out latrines are constructed? "

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" Sir, it will cost a big amount and the wells in the surrounding area are likely to be contaminated."

Distribution of fertilizer

* 889 Q.—SRI S. DAIVASIGAMONEY (on behalf of Sri A. Ratnam) : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(a) the quantity of fertilizer imported into the State and distributed in the districts up to 30th September 1954; and

(b) the quantity of fertilizer allotted to this State for the current year?